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Petition is Being Circulated

A petition addressed to the Hon. R. G. Reid, premier of Alberta, is being circulated in the district, asking for certain relief measures. The wording of the petition is as follows:

Whereas, the Legislation now in force in this province was designed and enacted to meet uniform conditions throughout the Province, changed conditions, due to recurring crop failures, have made inequitable as well as unworkable the administration of this Legislation in certain districts.

Whereas, recurring crop failures have forced many of the pioneer settlers to leave these areas and added a penalizing burden of taxes to those that remain.

And whereas, it is deemed both just and expedient that remedial measures be adopted at the next session of the Legislature to meet conditions existing in these areas.

We, the undersigned, residents and ratepayers of the provincial constituency of Acadia hereby petition your government for the granting

CHURCH SERVICES

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 10

OYEN UNITED CHURCH

OYEN 7.30 p.m.
Sunday School.... 2.00 p.m.

Rev. E. F. KEMP

SACRED HEART CHURCH

Mass 11.00 a.m.
Rev. Fr. J. C. LYNETT

ALL SAINTS CHURCH

No service February 10.

Sunday, February 17
Evensong 3 p.m.
Mr. G. S. PECK.

Donald McKay Re-elected Village Councillor

Mr. Donald McKay was re-elected a councillor of the village by acclamation last Monday.

E. MacArthur is Re-elected School Trustee by Acclamation

At the annual meeting of the ratepayers of Oyen School District, held Tuesday February 5, Mr. E. MacArthur was re-elected trustee by acclamation.

of measures of the following nature pending the return of normal conditions in this and similarly situated areas.

(1) That no further supplementary revenue tax be levied in the afore mentioned areas and that complete cancellation of all arrears and penalties be granted immediately by reason of the fact that approximately seventy five per cent (75%) of the resident population are now in receipt of some form of Governmental assistance and are wholly unable to meet these tax assessments.

(2) Whereas school districts are now owing teachers two and three years back salaries and are unable to meet even present commitments, charge that some form of assistance be given school districts to enable them to meet these past obligations and pay a just wage in future.

(3) A reduction of at least one-half in the grazing lease rental fees for this district to compensate for the difference in pasture value per acre in this district as compared with others having more favorable grass conditions; the setting aside, where practicable, blocks of grazing lease lands for community grazing and winter range; and the discontinuance of all forms of taxation upon all government grazing lease lands during this period of crop shortages.

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EGG AND POULTRY PRODUCERS

LISTEN TO THESE RADIO TALKS

It will be in your interests to listen to the series of radio addresses to be broadcast over Radio Station CPCN, Calgary, each evening from 7.30 to 8.00 p.m., excepting Saturdays and Sundays, between now and February 22nd.

Similar talks will be broadcast over the Edmonton Station at a time to be announced over the air.

Tune in and hear why you should register your disapproval of the Compulsory Egg and Poultry Marketing Scheme by voting against it at the forthcoming Poll.

PROTECT YOUR LIBERTY AND LIVELIHOOD. DO NOT FAIL TO REGISTER

Remember that in order to vote, you must register—Do it early. Full particulars as to how and when to register and vote may be obtained at your local Post Office.

ATTEND THE POOL MEETINGS

By all means attend the Pool Meetings. Listen to the arguments in favor—but be prepared to ask questions and voice your disapproval if you are not in agreement.

The radio talks will provide you with plenty of arguments in this connection.

Egg and Poultry Producers' Protective Association of Alberta

THE MARKET

NOTICE

The following meetings will be held in the interest of Alberta Poultry Producers:

Feb. 11 Cereal
Feb. 12 Lanfine
Feb. 13 Excel
Feb. 14 Oyen
Feb. 15 Benton
Feb. 16 Sibbald

Meetings open at 2.30 p.m.

These meetings are being held for the purpose of discussing the benefits to be derived by the poultry producers, from the application of the Federal Marketing Act to the industry.

SPEAKER
C. W. ROBINSON

CHAS. L. DUNFORD
A Commissioner for Oaths

MACLEAN'S Magazine

\$1.00
a year.

Chas. L. Dunford
Agent — Oyen

About Town and Country

A whist, bridge and dance will be held in the Masonic hall, Oyen, on Thursday, February 28, under the auspices of the W.A. Admission 35 cents.

Mr. Hubert Peck arrived in Oyen yesterday to visit his parents Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Peck. He will return to Cochrane later in the month.

Three rinks from Lanfine are playing in the mixed bonspiel in Oyen this week. The skips are: L. Wylie, G. Fowler and Bob Green.

Final figures for the oil production of the province now available place the total for 1934 at 1,265,940 barrels, compared with 1,013,040 barrels in 1933.

Charts showing the games played in the mixed bonspiel now in progress, will be published in the next issue of the News. It is expected that 'spiel will be concluded on Saturday.

During 1934 a total of 52 meetings were held in various parts of the province in the campaign conducted by the provincial department of agriculture and co-operating interests to promote the increase of production of "select" hogs. Further series of meetings are being held during the present winter.

Whether or not the poultry industry of Alberta will come within the provisions of the Natural Products Marketing Act is to be determined by a vote of poultry producers.

Balloting on the proposed Alberta Poultry Marketing Plan will be held during the week of February 17. All producers having flocks of 25 birds or more, including hens, turkeys, ducks and geese, are urged by the Alberta Poultry Marketing Board to register their opinions regarding this plan by applying at their nearest post office for the necessary forms. The ballots must be mailed by producers not later than February 23 in

Excel Items

Miss Muriel Pritchard was a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Caskey over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Thayer spent the week-end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Steen.

A very successful dance was held at Farming Valley school on Friday, February 1. The music played by Miss Eva Caskey, Gordon Agar, Ernest Warwick and Wesley Byler, was thoroughly enjoyed.

Farming Valley S.D. held their annual school meeting on Saturday, February 2, at 2 p.m. Mr. E. E. Vanstone was re-elected trustee. Mr. C. A. Bishop is chairman and Mr. S. J. Caskey is secretary.

Miss Violet Littleford spent last week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Bishop.

A most enjoyable dance was held in Excel school on Friday, February 1. Music by Excel orchestra, proved popular.

A local bonspiel was held by the Excel curling club last week. The grand challenge was won by S. E. Thayer.

Miss Rose Spohn entertained a sleigh-load of young people from Nekalta at supper last Friday.

The Misses Willcocks entertained at supper a sleigh-load of young people from Golden Centre last Friday.

Three rinks from Excel are playing in the mixed bonspiel in Oyen this week. The skips are: S. Thayer, C. McMurray and E. Vanstone.

Miss Iva Byler was a week-end guest of Miss Marion Bishop.

order to be considered.

For further information apply at the office of your postmaster.

Mixed Bonspiel In Progress

Twenty-one rinks, including three from Excel and three from Lanfine are competing this week in the annual mixed bonspiel. Play was commenced Tuesday at noon in mild weather and the ice was "swingy" during the first day's play. Lower temperatures today make conditions ideal for curling.

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(4) We petition the government that they assume all responsibility for all taxes levied against those receiving government assistance and all taxes that have been levied and are accumulated on vacant land. That no resident rate-payer be ejected from his home holdings solely for non-payment of taxes and that such rate payer be allowed the use of such of his home holdings as may be necessary for the earning of a livelihood.

(5) We petition that when government assistance is being considered that quotas be established on a basis that will provide at least the necessities of life for women and children and not be on the basis of mere subsistence.

(6) The enactment of such other measures as will increase the welfare of the residents of these areas, that in the opinion of your Government may be deemed just and expedient, and with the assurance at all times that the social services of the government now in effect may be maintained to the fullest extent possible.

Here and There

Employed on railway construction 50 years ago, Thomas D. McGillivray, 83, of Edmonton, claims the distinction of having placed the last carload of dirt on the C.P.R. when that trans-continental line was completed to the Pacific coast in 1885. Despite his advanced age he still has a clear recollection of incidents on construction.

Miss Mary McNeill, superannuated in December after over thirty years on the Upper Lakes as stewardess of the C.P.R. Great Lakes Steamships, spent almost her entire service as chief stewardess of S.S. Keeewatin, sailing with her every season from her maiden voyage in 1908 until the close of the 1934 season.

Fortunes are being spent on research in the science of armaments but not one penny for research in the field of disarmaments, said Prof. Julian Huxley, famous grandson of the even more famous Thomas H. Huxley, in outlining the meaning and functions of science, its shortcomings and possibilities, at the Lord Nelson Hotel, Halifax, recently.

"Our province will soon take an important place, if not the leading place, among the gold-producing countries of the world", stated Hon. J. E. Perrault, Minister of Roads and Mines of the Province of Quebec, in a recent address on "The Mining Industry of Quebec," at the Chateau Frontenac, Quebec City.

APPLICATION FOR LEASE OF ROAD ALLOWANCE OR SURVEYED HIGHWAY.

Notice is hereby given that Roy F. McKenzie of Sunnydale, Alberta has made application to the Minister of Public Works, Edmonton, for a lease of the following road allowance or surveyed highway, viz: between Sections 32 and 33, Township 25, Range 5, W. 4th,

Any protest against the granting of the above mentioned lease must be forwarded to the Minister of Public Works, Edmonton, within thirty days from the date of this notice.

Dated at Oyen, this 6th day of February, 1935.

Roy F. McKenzie, Applicant.

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Egg and Poultry Producers

A series of broadcasts dealing fully with the poultry marketing plan proposed for this province under the Natural Products Marketing Act will be given over Stations:

CFCM Calgary CJCA Edmonton
commencing at 9 p.m. each day on

**Saturday, February 9
Tuesday, February 12
Thursday, February 14**

**Saturday, February 16
Monday, February 18
Thursday, February 21**

Ballot of producers on the proposed Alberta marketing plan will be registered February 16 to 23. Ask your postmaster for particulars.

Alberta Poultry Marketing Board

206 Northern Investment Building
Edmonton, Alberta